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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 8, 2007, and in accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the materials listed on the attached PTO-Form 1449. Applicants also direct the Examiner's attention to the following co-pending applications, as well as the prosecution histories associated therewith:

- (1) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. U.S. 2008/0182905 A1
(TAKENAGA et al.), published July 31, 2008;
- (2) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. U.S. 2008/0207768 A1 (SHUDO et al.), published August 28, 2008;
- (3) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. U.S. 2008/0139842 A1 (SHUDO et al.), published June 12, 2008; and

- (4) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. U.S. 2008/0255069 A1 (SHUDO et al.), published October 16, 2008.

Applicants further direct the Examiner's attention to the attached Chinese Official Action issued in connection with Chinese Application No. 2005800075844, as well as the following document which was cited in the Chinese Official Action:

- (5) JP 10-338658, published December 22, 1998, along with an English language abstract thereof;

The relevance of this document cited in the Chinese Official Action, as ascertained with respect to the Chinese claims by the Chinese Examiner, is set forth in the Chinese Official Action.

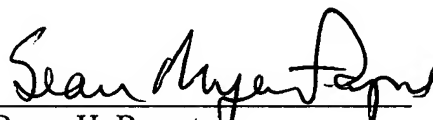
Applicants further direct the Examiner's attention to the attached International Search Report for International Application PCT/JP2005/004051, of which the instant application is the National Stage, as well as the documents cited therein. Applicants note that the documents cited in the International Search Report for PCT/JP2005/004051 are also attached hereto and listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Applicants also note that the International Preliminary Report on Patentability for PCT/JP2005/004051 was previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed June 8, 2007.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner to consider the above material and to indicate such consideration by initialing the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and returning a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants further note that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement. However, if an Office Action has issued and is crossing in the mail with this statement, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No 19-0089 any fee necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted materials.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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